



State Attorney's Office

CHILDREN AND SPECIAL NEEDS CENTER (CSNC)

The Children and Special Needs Center operates to provide forensic interviews of primarily sexual assault and/or physical assault victims less than 12 years of age. In addition, forensic interviews are also done on mentally handicapped children 12 years of age or older, as well as witnesses to crime. These interviews are recorded by videotape and used in criminal prosecutions within the Sexual Battery Unit.

SERVICE AREA

Countywide

TARGET POPULATION

Gender:	Male and Female	Age:	All Ages (0-18)
Special Populations:	Abused, abandoned, or neglected children		

ELIGIBILITY

Client Eligibility Requirements:	Victims under the age of 12		
Geographic Criteria:	Miami-Dade County		
Economic/Financial Criteria:	N/A	Other:	N/A

COLLABORATIVE PARTNERS

Miami-Dade Police Department; City of Miami Police Department and all other law enforcement agencies that deal with child sexual and physical assault; Guardian Ad litem Program; Kristi House; Rape Treatment Center; Child Protection Team; Children's Psychiatric Center; Mailman Center; and Miami Children's Hospital

CBO ACCESS

CBO Access to Funding Source:	No	Funding Provided to CBOs:	No
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PROGRAM GOAL(S)

The Center assists the police departments, Florida Department of Children and Families, and prosecutors as well as other agencies by conducting forensic interviews of sexually, physically, or neglected children. This helps to prevent multiple interviews of these children during the investigation or prosecution of these cases. The center also serves to coordinate and connect various agencies in Miami-Dade County to provide services to child victims.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

	Quantity	Quality
Effort/ Output	I. What We Do	II. How Well We Do It
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of forensic interviews performed on sexually and physically abused children 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The number of forensic interviews performed in a professional, untainted manner and the referrals from those interview contacts into successful therapy and prosecution of the perpetrator
Effort/ Outcome	III. How Much Change	IV. Quality of Change
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of successful therapy referrals to appropriate services available within the system 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Percentage of children residing in a safer environment and receiving services

FUNDING SOURCE(S)

Grant Funding:	No	
Funding Source:	County and State	
Matching Requirements:	N/A	Required Match: N/A
Minimum Required Match:	N/A	
Maintenance of Effort Requirements:	N/A	Funding Cycle: October 1 – September 30

RESOURCE ALLOCATION DETAILS AND SERVICE STATISTICS

	Actual FY 02-03	Budgeted FY 03-04	Budgeted FY 04-05	Change from FY 03-04
Revenue Summary				
Federal	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State	\$99,895	\$106,594	\$118,416	\$11,822
County	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$0
Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$399,895	\$406,594	\$418,416	\$11,822
Expenditure Summary				
Salaries and Benefits	\$399,895	\$406,594	\$418,416	\$11,822
Services and Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Contracted Service Providers	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$399,895	\$406,594	\$418,416	\$11,822
Total Positions	7	7	7	0
Number of Children Served	681	681	700	19